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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVISOR'S TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND CERTAIN PUBLIC ACTS."

- Strike lines 1694 to 1696, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- "Sec. 66. Subsections (c) and (d) of section 45a-8 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 6 (c) If suitable court facilities are not provided in accordance with 7 subsection (a) or (b) of this section: [, (1) the] (1) The Probate Court 8 Administrator shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of 9 [cognizance of] the General Assembly having cognizance of matters 10 <u>relating to the judiciary</u> concerning the failure of the probate district to 11 provide the required court facilities, together with a recommendation 12 that the probate district be abolished as a separate district and be 13 consolidated with a contiguous district where suitable court facilities 14 can be provided; or (2) if, in the opinion of the Probate Court

15 Administrator, abolition of the district is not in the public interest and

- 16 judicial action is necessary to enforce the provision of suitable court
- 17 facilities, the Probate Court Administrator shall bring an action in the
- 18 Superior Court to enforce the requirements for the provision of
- 19 suitable court facilities."
- 20 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 21 internal references accordingly:
- 22 "Sec. 501. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 14-215 of the general
- 23 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 24 (*Effective from passage*):
- 25 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, any person
- 26 who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this section shall, for a
- 27 <u>first offense,</u> be fined not less than one hundred fifty dollars [nor] <u>or</u>
- 28 more than two hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than ninety
- 29 days, or be both fined and imprisoned, [for the first offense,] and, for
- 30 any subsequent offense, shall be fined not less than two hundred
- 31 dollars [nor] or more than six hundred dollars or imprisoned not more
- 32 than one year, or be both fined and imprisoned.
- 33 (c) Any person who operates any motor vehicle during the period
- 34 [his] <u>such person's</u> operator's license or right to operate a motor vehicle
- 35 in this state is under suspension or revocation on account of a violation
- of subsection (a) of section 14-227a, as amended, or section 53a-56b or
- 37 53a-60d or pursuant to section 14-227b, <u>as amended</u>, shall be fined not
- 38 less than five hundred dollars [nor] or more than one thousand dollars
- 39 and imprisoned not more than one year, and, in the absence of any
- 40 mitigating circumstances as determined by the court, thirty
- 41 consecutive days of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or
- 42 reduced in any manner. The court shall specifically state in writing for
- 43 the record the mitigating circumstances, or the absence thereof.
- Sec. 502. Subsection (g) of section 14-227a of the general statutes, as
- amended by section 1 of public act 03-265 and section 47 of public act
- 46 03-278, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof

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(g) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this section shall: (1) For conviction of a first violation, (A) be fined not less than five hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars, and (B) be (i) imprisoned not more than six months, forty-eight consecutive hours of which may not be suspended or reduced in any manner, or (ii) imprisoned not more than six months, with the execution of such sentence of imprisonment suspended entirely and a period of probation imposed requiring as a condition of such probation that such person perform one hundred hours of community service, as defined in section 14-227e, and (C) have such person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege suspended for one year; (2) for conviction of a second violation within ten years after a prior conviction for the same offense, (A) be fined not less than one thousand dollars or more than four thousand dollars, (B) be imprisoned not more than two years, one hundred twenty consecutive days of which may not be suspended or reduced in any manner, and sentenced to a period of probation requiring as a condition of such probation that such person perform one hundred hours of community service, as defined in section 14-227e, and (C) (i) have such person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege suspended for three years or until the date of such person's twentyfirst birthday, whichever is longer, or (ii) if such person has been convicted of a violation of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section on account of being under the influence of intoxicating liquor or of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, have such person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege suspended for one year and be prohibited for the two-year period following completion of such period of suspension from operating a motor vehicle unless such motor vehicle is equipped with a functioning, approved ignition interlock device, as defined in section [3 of this act] 2 of public act 03-265; and (3) for conviction of a third and subsequent violation within ten years after a prior conviction for the same offense, (A) be fined not less than two thousand dollars or more

than eight thousand dollars, (B) be imprisoned not more than three years, one year of which may not be suspended or reduced in any manner, and sentenced to a period of probation requiring as a condition of such probation that such person perform one hundred hours of community service, as defined in section 14-227e, and (C) have such person's motor vehicle operator's license or nonresident operating privilege permanently revoked upon such third offense. For purposes of the imposition of penalties for a second or third and subsequent offense pursuant to this subsection, a conviction under the provisions of subsection (a) of this section in effect on October 1, 1981, or as amended thereafter, a conviction under the provisions of either subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this section, a conviction under the provisions of section 53a-56b or 53a-60d or a conviction in any other state of any offense the essential elements of which are determined by the court to be substantially the same as subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this section or section 53a-56b or 53a-60d, shall constitute a prior conviction for the same offense.

Sec. 503. Subsection (a) of section 17b-451 of the general statutes, as amended by section 3 of public act 03-267, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) Any physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 370, any resident physician or intern in any hospital in this state, whether or not so licensed, any registered nurse, any nursing home administrator, nurse's aide or orderly in a nursing home facility, any person paid for caring for a patient in a nursing home facility, any staff person employed by a nursing home facility, any patients' advocate and any licensed practical nurse, medical examiner, dentist, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist, social worker, clergyman, police officer, pharmacist, psychologist or physical therapist, who has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that any elderly person has been abused, neglected, exploited or abandoned, or is in a condition which is the result of such abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment, or [who] is in need of protective services, shall, not later than seventy-two hours after such suspicion or belief arose, report such information or

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cause a report to be made in any reasonable manner to the Commissioner of Social Services or to the person or persons designated by the commissioner to receive such reports. Any person required to report under the provisions of this section who fails to make such report within the prescribed time period shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, except that, if such person intentionally fails to make such report within the prescribed time period, such person shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor for the first offense and a class A misdemeanor for any subsequent offense.

Sec. 504. Section 20-14i of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

Any provisions to the contrary notwithstanding, chapter 378 shall not prohibit the administration of medication to persons attending day programs, or residing in residential facilities, under the jurisdiction of the Departments of Children and Families, Correction, Mental Retardation and Mental Health and Addiction Services, or being detained in juvenile detention centers, when such medication is administered by trained persons, pursuant to the written order of a physician licensed under this chapter, a dentist licensed under chapter 379, an advanced practice registered nurse licensed to prescribe in accordance with section 20-94a or a physician assistant licensed to prescribe in accordance with section 20-12d, authorized to prescribe such medication. The provisions of this section shall not apply to institutions, facilities or programs licensed pursuant to chapter 368v.

Sec. 505. Subsection (d) of section 20-427 of the general statutes, as amended by section 2 of public act 03-186, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(d) The commissioner may, after notice and hearing in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, impose a civil penalty on any person who engages in or practices the work or occupation for which a certificate of registration is required by this chapter without having first obtained such a certificate of registration or who wilfully employs

or supplies for employment a person who does not have such a certificate of registration or who wilfully and falsely pretends to qualify to engage in or practice such work or occupation, or who engages in or practices any of the work or occupations for which a certificate of registration is required by this chapter after the expiration of [his] such person's certificate of registration or who violates any of the provisions of this chapter or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto. Such penalty shall be in an amount not more than five hundred dollars for a first violation of this subsection, not more than seven hundred fifty dollars for a second violation of this subsection occurring not more than three years after a prior violation, not more than one thousand five hundred dollars for a third or subsequent violation of this subsection occurring not more than three years after a prior violation and, in the case of radon mitigation work, such penalty shall be not less than two hundred fifty dollars. Any civil penalty collected pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the [Consumer Protection Enforcement Fund] consumer protection enforcement account established in section 21a-8a, as amended.

Sec. 506. Subsection (c) of section 20-432 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(c) Payments received under subsection (b) of this section shall be credited to the guaranty fund until the balance in such fund equals seven hundred fifty thousand dollars. Annually, if such fund has an excess, the first four hundred thousand dollars of the excess shall be deposited into the [Consumer Protection Enforcement Fund] consumer protection enforcement account established in section 21a-8a, as amended. Any excess thereafter shall be deposited in the General Fund. Any money in the guaranty fund may be invested or reinvested in the same manner as funds of the state employees retirement system, and the interest arising from such investments shall be credited to the guaranty fund.

179 Sec. 507. Subsection (a) of section 36a-582 of the general statutes, as

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180 amended by section 2 of public act 04-14, is repealed and the following 181 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

- (a) Each applicant for a check cashing license shall pay to the commissioner [,] a nonrefundable initial application fee of one thousand dollars and a nonrefundable license fee of one hundred dollars for each location. Each licensee shall pay to the commissioner a nonrefundable location transfer fee of one hundred dollars for each application to transfer a location. Each license issued pursuant to section 36a-581, as amended by [this act] public act 04-14, shall expire at the close of business on June thirtieth of each year unless such license is renewed. Each licensee shall, on or before June twentieth of each year, pay to the commissioner a renewal application fee of seven hundred fifty dollars and a renewal license fee for each location of fifty dollars for the succeeding year, commencing July first.
- 194 Sec. 508. Subdivision (1) of section 36a-715 of the general statutes is 195 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from 196 passage):
- 197 (1) "First mortgage loan" has the same meaning as provided in 198 [subsection (1)] subdivision (6) of section 36a-485.
- 199 Sec. 509. Subsection (f) of section 45a-676 of the general statutes, as 200 amended by section 5 of public act 03-51, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 202 (f) In selecting a plenary guardian or limited guardian of the person 203 with mental retardation, the court shall be guided by the best interests 204 of the respondent, including, but not limited to, the preference of the 205 respondent as to who should be appointed as plenary guardian or 206 limited guardian. No person shall be excluded from serving as a 207 plenary guardian or limited guardian solely because [he] such person 208 is employed by the Department of Mental Retardation, except that (1) no such employee may be appointed as a plenary guardian or limited 209 210 guardian of a person with mental retardation residing in a state-211 operated residential facility for [the mentally retarded] persons with

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212 mental retardation located in the Department of Mental Retardation 213 region in which such person is employed; and (2) no such employee 214 shall be so appointed unless no other suitable person to serve as 215 plenary guardian or limited guardian can be found. Any appointment 216 of an employee of the Department of Mental Retardation as a plenary 217 guardian or limited guardian shall be made for a limited purpose and 218 duration. During the term of appointment of any such employee, the 219 Commissioner of Mental Retardation shall search for a suitable person 220 who is not an employee of the department to replace such employee as 221 plenary guardian or limited guardian.

Sec. 510. Subsection (e) of section 45a-677 of the general statutes, as amended by section 6 of public act 03-51 and section 97 of public act 03-278, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(e) A plenary guardian or limited guardian of a person with mental retardation shall not have the power or authority: (1) To cause the ward to be admitted to any institution for treatment of the mentally ill, except in accordance with the provisions of sections 17a-75 to 17a-83, inclusive, 17a-456 to 17a-484, inclusive, 17a-495 to 17a-528, inclusive, 17a-540 to 17a-550, inclusive, 17a-560 to 17a-576, inclusive, 17a-615 to 17a-618, inclusive, and 17a-621 to 17a-664, inclusive, and chapter 420b; (2) to cause the ward to be admitted to any training school or other facility provided for the care and training of [the mentally retarded] persons with mental retardation if there is a conflict concerning such admission between the guardian and the person with mental retardation or next of kin, except in accordance with the provisions of sections 17a-274, as amended, and 17a-275; (3) to consent on behalf of the ward to a sterilization, except in accordance with the provisions of sections 45a-690 to 45a-700, inclusive; (4) to consent on behalf of the ward to psychosurgery, except in accordance with the provisions of section 17a-543, as amended; (5) to consent on behalf of the ward to the termination of the ward's parental rights, except in accordance with the provisions of sections 45a-706 to 45a-709, inclusive, 45a-715 to 45a-718, inclusive, 45a-724 to 45a-737, inclusive, and 45a-743 to 45a-757,

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246 inclusive; (6) to consent on behalf of the ward to the performance of 247 any experimental biomedical or behavioral medical procedure or 248 participation in any biomedical or behavioral experiment, unless it (A) 249 is intended to preserve the life or prevent serious impairment of the 250 physical health of the ward, (B) is intended to assist the ward to regain 251 the ward's abilities and has been approved for the ward by the court, 252 or (C) has been (i) approved by a recognized institutional review 253 board, as defined by 45 CFR 46, 21 CFR 50 and 21 CFR 56, as amended 254 from time to time, which is not a part of the Department of Mental 255 Retardation, (ii) endorsed or supported by the Department of Mental 256 Retardation, and (iii) approved for the ward by such ward's primary 257 care physician; (7) to admit the ward to any residential facility 258 operated by an organization by whom such guardian is employed, 259 except in accordance with the provisions of section 17a-274, as 260 <u>amended</u>; (8) to prohibit the marriage or divorce of the ward; and (9) 261 to consent on behalf of the ward to an abortion or removal of a body 262 organ, except in accordance with applicable statutory procedures 263 when necessary to preserve the life or prevent serious impairment of 264 the physical or mental health of the ward.

- Sec. 511. Section 45a-716 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
 - (a) Upon receipt of a petition for termination of parental rights, the Court of Probate, or the Superior Court [,] on a case transferred to it from the Court of Probate in accordance with the provisions of subsection (g) of section 45a-715, shall set a time and place for hearing the petition. The time for hearing shall be not more than thirty days after the filing of the petition.
 - (b) The court shall cause notice of the hearing to be given to the following persons, as applicable: (1) The parent or parents of the minor child, including any parent who has been removed as guardian on or after October 1, 1973, under section 45a-606; (2) the father of any minor child born out of wedlock, provided at the time of the filing of the petition (A) he has been adjudicated the father of such child by a court

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of competent jurisdiction, [or] (B) he has acknowledged in writing that he is the father of such child, [or] (C) he has contributed regularly to the support of such child, [or] (D) his name appears on the birth certificate, [or] (E) he has filed a claim for paternity as provided under section 46b-172a, or (F) he has been named in the petition as the father of the child by the mother; (3) the guardian or any other person whom the court shall deem appropriate; and (4) the Commissioner of Children and Families. If the recipient of the notice is a person described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection or is any other person whose parental rights are sought to be terminated in the petition, the notice shall contain a statement that the respondent has the right to be represented by counsel and that if the respondent is unable to pay for counsel, counsel will be appointed for the respondent. The reasonable compensation for such counsel shall be established by, and paid from funds appropriated to, the Judicial Department, however, in the case of a Probate Court matter, if funds have not been included in the budget of the Judicial Department for such purposes, such compensation shall be established by the Probate Court Administrator and paid from the Probate Court Administration Fund.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, notice of the hearing and a copy of the petition, certified by the petitioner, the petitioner's agent or attorney, or the [court] clerk of the court, shall be served at least ten days before the date [for] of the hearing by personal service or service at the person's usual place of abode on the persons enumerated in subsection (b) of this section who are within the state, and by certified mail, return receipt requested, on the Commissioner of Children and Families. If the address of any person entitled to personal service or service at the person's usual place of abode is unknown, or if personal service or service at the person's usual place of abode cannot be reasonably effected within the state, or if any person enumerated in subsection (b) of this section is out of the state, a judge or the clerk of the court shall order notice to be given by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or by publication at least ten days before the

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date of the hearing. Any <u>such</u> publication shall be in a newspaper of

- 314 general circulation in the place of the last-known address of the person
- 315 to be notified, whether within or without this state, or, if no such
- 316 address is known, in the place where the [termination] petition has
- 317 been filed.
- 318 (d) In any proceeding pending in the Court of Probate, in lieu of
- 319 personal service on a parent or the father of a child born out of
- 320 wedlock who is either a petitioner or who signs under penalty of false
- 321 statement a written waiver of personal service on a form provided by
- 322 the Probate Court Administrator, the court may order notice to be
- 323 given by certified mail, return receipt requested, deliverable to
- addressee only, [and] at least ten days [prior to] before the date of the
- 325 hearing. If such delivery cannot reasonably be effected, or if the
- whereabouts of the parents is unknown, [then] notice shall be ordered
- 327 to be given by publication [,] as provided in subsection (c) of this
- 328 section.
- 329 Sec. 512. Section 6 of public act 03-267 is repealed and the following
- 330 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- For the purposes of sections 6 to [10] 9, inclusive, of [this act] <u>public</u>
- 332 <u>act 03-267</u>:
- 333 (1) "Person" means any natural person, corporation, partnership,
- 334 limited liability company, unincorporated business or other business
- 335 entity;
- 336 (2) "Elderly person" means any person who is sixty years of age or
- 337 older;
- 338 (3) "Blind person" means any person who is blind, as defined in
- 339 section 1-1f;
- 340 (4) "Disabled person" means any person who is physically disabled,
- 341 as defined in section 1-1f;
- 342 (5) "Mentally retarded person" means any person with mental

retardation, as defined in section 1-1g;

- 344 (6) "Abuse" means any repeated act or omission that causes physical 345 injury or serious physical injury to an elderly, blind, disabled or 346 mentally retarded person, except when (A) the act or omission is a part 347 of the treatment and care, and in furtherance of the health and safety, 348 of the elderly, blind, disabled or mentally retarded person, or (B) the 349 act or omission is based upon the instructions, wishes, consent, refusal 350 to consent or revocation of consent of an elderly, blind, disabled or 351 mentally retarded person, or the legal representative of an incapable 352 elderly, blind, disabled or mentally retarded person. For purposes of 353 this subdivision, "repeated" means an act or omission that occurs on 354 two or more occasions;
- (7) "Intentionally" means "intentionally" as defined in subdivision (11) of section 53a-3;
- 357 (8) "Knowingly" means "knowingly" as defined in subdivision (12) 358 of section 53a-3;
- (9) "Recklessly" means "recklessly" as defined in subdivision (13) of section 53a-3;
- 361 (10) "Physical injury" means "physical injury" as defined in subdivision (3) of section 53a-3; and
- 363 (11) "Serious physical injury" means "serious physical injury" as defined in subdivision (4) of section 53a-3.
- Sec. 513. Subsection (d) of section 17b-10 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of substitute senate bill 576 of the current session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2004):
- (d) In lieu of submitting proposed regulations by the date specified in subsection (c) of this section, the department may submit to the legislative regulation review committee a notice not later than thirtyfive days before such date that the department will not be able to

submit the proposed regulations on or before such date and shall include in such notice (1) the reasons why the department will not submit the proposed regulations by such date, and (2) the date by which the department will submit the proposed regulations. The legislative regulation review committee may require the department to appear before the committee at a time prescribed by the committee to further explain [the reasons for the request] such reasons and to respond to any questions by the committee about the policy. The legislative regulation review committee may request the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services to review the department's policy, the department's reasons for not submitting the proposed regulations by the date specified in subsection (c) of this section and the date by which the department will submit the proposed regulations. Said joint standing committee may review the policy, such reasons and such date, may schedule a hearing thereon and may make a recommendation to the legislative regulation review committee.

Sec. 514. Section 1-24 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 03-278, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

The following officers may administer oaths: (1) The clerks of the Senate, the clerks of the House of Representatives and the chairpersons of committees of the General Assembly or of either branch thereof, during its session; (2) state officers, as defined in subsection (t) of section 9-1, judges and clerks of any court, family support magistrates, judge trial referees, justices of the peace, commissioners of the Superior Court, notaries public, town clerks and assistant town clerks, in all cases where an oath may be administered, except in a case where the law otherwise requires; (3) commissioners on insolvent estates, auditors, arbitrators and committees, to parties and witnesses, in all cases tried before them; (4) assessors and boards of assessment appeals, in cases coming before them; (5) commissioners appointed by governors of other states to take the acknowledgment of deeds, in the discharge of their official duty; (6) the moderator of a school district

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407 meeting, in such meeting, to the clerk of such district, as required by 408 law; (7) the first selectman, in any matter before the board of 409 selectmen; (8) the Chief Medical Examiner, Deputy Medical Examiner 410 and assistant medical examiners of the Office of the Medical Examiner, 411 in any matter before them; (9) registrars of vital statistics, in any matter 412 before them; (10) any chief inspector or inspector appointed pursuant 413 to section 51-286; (11) registrars of voters, deputy registrars, assistant 414 registrars, and moderators, in any matter before them; (12) special 415 assistant registrars, in matters provided for in subsections (b) and (c) of 416 section 9-19b and section 9-19c; (13) the Commissioner of Public Safety 417 and any sworn member of any local police department or the Division 418 of State Police within the Department of Public Safety, in all affidavits, 419 statements, depositions, complaints or reports made to or by any 420 member of any local police department or said Division of State Police 421 or any constable who is under the supervision of said commissioner or 422 any of such officers of said Division of State Police and who is certified 423 under the provisions of sections 7-294a to 7-294e, inclusive, and 424 performs criminal law enforcement duties; (14) judge advocates of the 425 United States Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps, law 426 specialists of the United States Coast Guard, adjutants, assistant 427 adjutants, acting adjutants and personnel adjutants, commanding 428 officers, executive officers and officers whose rank is lieutenant 429 commander or major, or above, of the armed forces, as defined in 430 section 27-103, as amended, to persons serving with or in the armed 431 forces, as defined in said section, or their spouses; (15) investigators, 432 deputy investigators, investigative aides, secretaries, clerical assistants, 433 social workers, social worker trainees, paralegals and certified legal 434 interns employed by or assigned to the Public Defender Services 435 Commission in the performance of their assigned duties; (16) bail 436 commissioners employed by the Judicial Department in the 437 performance of their assigned duties; (17) juvenile matter investigators 438 employed by the Division of Criminal Justice in the performance of 439 their assigned duties; (18) the chairperson of the Connecticut Siting 440 Council or the chairperson's designee; (19) the presiding officer at an 441 agency hearing under section 4-177b; (20) family relations counselors

442 employed by the Judicial Department and support enforcement

- 443 officers and investigators employed by the Department of Social
- 444 Services Bureau of Child Support Enforcement and the Judicial
- Department, in the performance of their assigned duties; (21) the
- 446 chairperson, vice-chairperson and members of the Board of Parole,
- 447 [parole officers and parole supervisors] in the performance of their
- 448 assigned duties; and (22) the Commissioner of Correction or the
- 449 commissioner's designee.
- Sec. 515. Subsection (a) of section 1-217 of the general statutes is
- 451 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 452 *passage*):
- 453 (a) No public agency may disclose, under the Freedom of
- 454 Information Act, the residential address of any of the following
- 455 persons:
- 456 (1) A federal court judge, federal court magistrate, judge of the
- 457 Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of the state, or
- 458 family support magistrate;
- 459 (2) A sworn member of a municipal police department or a sworn
- 460 member of the Division of State Police within the Department of Public
- 461 Safety;
- 462 (3) An employee of the Department of Correction;
- 463 (4) An attorney-at-law who represents or has represented the state
- 464 in a criminal prosecution;
- 465 (5) An attorney-at-law who is or has been employed by the Public
- 466 Defender Services Division or a social worker who is employed by the
- 467 Public Defender Services Division;
- 468 (6) An inspector employed by the Division of Criminal Justice;
- 469 (7) A firefighter;

470 (8) An employee of the Department of Children and Families;

- 471 (9) A member [or employee] of the Board of Parole;
- 472 (10) An employee of the judicial branch; or
- 473 (11) A member or employee of the Commission on Human Rights 474 and Opportunities.
- Sec. 516. Subsection (e) of section 14-10 of the general statutes is
- 476 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 477 passage):
- 478 (e) In the event (1) a federal court judge, federal court magistrate or 479 judge of the Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of the 480 state, (2) a member of a municipal police department or a member of 481 the Division of State Police within the Department of Public Safety, (3) 482 an employee of the Department of Correction, (4) an attorney-at-law 483 who represents or has represented the state in a criminal prosecution, 484 or (5) a member [or employee] of the Board of Parole submits a written 485 request and furnishes such individual's business address to the 486 commissioner, such business address only shall be disclosed or 487 available for public inspection to the extent authorized by this section.
- Sec. 517. Section 18-100d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, any person convicted of a crime committed on or after October 1, 1994, shall be subject to supervision by personnel of the Department of Correction [or the Board of Parole] until the expiration of the
- maximum term or terms for which [he] <u>such person</u> was sentenced.
- Sec. 518. Subsection (g) of section 46a-152 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 497 passage):
- 498 (g) Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the justified

use of physical force by a local, state or federal law enforcement official or an employee of the [Board of Parole] <u>Department of Correction</u> responsible for the supervision of persons released on parole while in the performance of such official's or employee's duties.

- Sec. 519. Subsection (b) of section 51-5c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 506 (b) (1) The following information contained in the registry of 507 protective orders shall not be subject to disclosure and may be 508 accessed only in accordance with this section, unless otherwise 509 ordered by the court: (A) Any information that would identify a 510 person protected by an order contained in the registry; (B) any 511 information that is confidential pursuant to state or federal law, 512 including, but not limited to, any information that is confidential 513 pursuant to a court order; and (C) any information entered in the 514 registry pursuant to an ex parte order prior to a hearing by a court 515 having jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter.
 - (2) Any employee of the Judicial Department authorized by policies and procedures adopted by the Chief Court Administrator shall have access to such information. The Chief Court Administrator may grant access to such information to personnel of the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Correction, [the Board of Parole,] the Psychiatric Security Review Board, the Division of Criminal Justice, any municipal or tribal police department within this state or any other agency, organization or person determined by the Chief Court Administrator, pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by the Chief Court Administrator, to have a legitimate interest in the information contained in the registry. Any person who obtains such information pursuant to this subdivision may use and disclose the information only in the performance of such person's duties.
- 529 (3) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the information contained in the registry shall be provided to and may be

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531 Connecticut on-line accessed through the law enforcement 532 communications teleprocessing system maintained by the Department 533 of Public Safety. Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit 534 public access to the Connecticut on-line law enforcement 535 communications teleprocessing system.

- Sec. 520. Section 53a-22 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
 - (a) For purposes of this section, a reasonable belief that a person has committed an offense means a reasonable belief in facts or circumstances which if true would in law constitute an offense. If the believed facts or circumstances would not in law constitute an offense, an erroneous though not unreasonable belief that the law is otherwise does not render justifiable the use of physical force to make an arrest or to prevent an escape from custody. A peace officer or an authorized official of the Department of Correction [or the Board of Parole] who is effecting an arrest pursuant to a warrant or preventing an escape from custody is justified in using the physical force prescribed in subsections (b) and (c) of this section unless such warrant is invalid and is known by such officer to be invalid.
 - (b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, a peace officer or authorized official of the Department of Correction [or the Board of Parole] is justified in using physical force upon another person when and to the extent that he reasonably believes such to be necessary to: (1) Effect an arrest or prevent the escape from custody of a person whom he reasonably believes to have committed an offense, unless he knows that the arrest or custody is unauthorized; or (2) defend himself or a third person from the use or imminent use of physical force while effecting or attempting to effect an arrest or while preventing or attempting to prevent an escape.
 - (c) A peace officer or authorized official of the Department of Correction [or the Board of Parole] is justified in using deadly physical force upon another person for the purposes specified in subsection (b)

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of this section only when he reasonably believes such to be necessary to: (1) Defend himself or a third person from the use or imminent use of deadly physical force; or (2) effect an arrest or prevent the escape from custody of a person whom he reasonably believes has committed or attempted to commit a felony which involved the infliction or threatened infliction of serious physical injury and if, where feasible, he has given warning of his intent to use deadly physical force.

- (d) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, a person who has been directed by a peace officer or authorized official of the Department of Correction [or the Board of Parole] to assist such peace officer or official to effect an arrest or to prevent an escape from custody is justified in using reasonable physical force when and to the extent that he reasonably believes such to be necessary to carry out such peace officer's or official's direction.
- (e) A person who has been directed to assist a peace officer or authorized official of the Department of Correction [or the Board of Parole] under circumstances specified in subsection (d) of this section may use deadly physical force to effect an arrest or to prevent an escape from custody only when: (1) He reasonably believes such to be necessary to defend himself or a third person from what he reasonably believes to be the use or imminent use of deadly physical force; or (2) he is directed or authorized by such peace officer or official to use deadly physical force, unless he knows that the peace officer or official himself is not authorized to use deadly physical force under the circumstances.
- (f) A private person acting on his own account is justified in using reasonable physical force upon another person when and to the extent that he reasonably believes such to be necessary to effect an arrest or to prevent the escape from custody of an arrested person whom he reasonably believes to have committed an offense and who in fact has committed such offense; but he is not justified in using deadly physical force in such circumstances, except in defense of person as prescribed in section 53a-19.

Sec. 521. Subsection (a) of section 53a-167c of the general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 03-6 and section 126 of public act 03-19, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(a) A person is guilty of assault of public safety or emergency medical personnel when, with intent to prevent a reasonably identifiable peace officer, firefighter or employee of an emergency medical service organization, as defined in section 53a-3, emergency room physician or nurse, employee of the Department of Correction, [employee or] member of the Board of Parole, probation officer, employee of the judicial branch assigned to provide pretrial secure detention and programming services to juveniles accused of the commission of a delinquent act, employee of the Department of Children and Families assigned to provide direct services to children and youth in the care or custody of the department or employee of a municipal police department assigned to provide security at the police department's lockup and holding facility from performing his or her duties, and while such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or probation officer is acting in the performance of his or her duties, (1) such person causes physical injury to such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or probation officer, or (2) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be thrown or hurled, any rock, bottle, can or other article, object or missile of any kind capable of causing physical harm, damage or injury, at such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or probation officer, or (3) such person uses or causes to be used any mace, tear gas or any like or similar deleterious agent against such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or probation officer, or (4) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be thrown or hurled, any paint, dye or other like or similar staining, discoloring or coloring agent or any type of offensive or noxious liquid, agent or substance at such peace officer, firefighter, employee, physician, nurse, member or probation officer, or (5) such person throws or hurls, or causes to be thrown or hurled, any bodily fluid including, but not limited to, urine,

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- 632 Sec. 522. Subsection (d) of section 54-102g of the general statutes, as 633 amended by section 1 of public act 03-242, is repealed and the 634 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 635 (d) Any person who has been convicted of a criminal offense against 636 a victim who is a minor, a nonviolent sexual offense or a sexually 637 violent offense, as those terms are defined in section 54-250, or a 638 felony, and is serving a period of probation or parole, and who has not 639 submitted to the taking of a blood or other biological sample pursuant 640 to subsection (a), (b) or (c) of this section, shall, prior to discharge from 641 the custody of the Court Support Services Division or the [Board of 642 Parole Department of Correction and at such time as said division or 643 [board] department may specify, submit to the taking of a blood or 644 other biological sample for DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) analysis to 645 determine identification characteristics specific to the person.
- 646 Sec. 523. Section 54-125g of the general statutes is repealed and the 647 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 648 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 18-100d, 54-124c and 54-649 125a, any person who has six months or less to the expiration of the 650 maximum term or terms for which such person was sentenced, may be allowed to go at large on parole provided such person agrees (1) to be 652 subject to supervision by personnel of the [Board of Parole] 653 Department of Correction for a period of one year, and (2) to be 654 retained in the institution from which such person was paroled for a 655 period equal to the unexpired portion of the term of his or her sentence 656 if such person is found to have violated the terms or conditions of his 657 or her parole. Any person subject to the provisions of subdivision (1) 658 or (2) of subsection (b) of section 54-125a shall only be eligible to go at large on parole under this section after having served ninety-five per 659 660 cent of the definite sentence imposed.
- 661 Sec. 524. Section 54-127 of the general statutes is repealed and the

662 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

663 The request of the Commissioner of Correction or any officer of the 664 Department of Correction so designated by the commissioner, or of the 665 Board of Parole [,] or its chairman [or any officer of the Board of Parole 666 designated by the chairman shall be sufficient warrant to authorize 667 any officer of the Department of Correction [or of the Board of Parole, 668 as the case may be,] or any officer authorized by law to serve criminal 669 process within this state, to return any convict or inmate on parole into 670 actual custody; and any such officer, police officer, constable or state 671 marshal shall arrest and hold any parolee or inmate when so 672 requested, without any written warrant.

- Sec. 525. Subsection (a) of section 54-128 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 676 (a) Any paroled [convict or] inmate who has been returned to [the custody of the Commissioner of Correction or any institution of the 677 678 Department of Correction for violation of [his] such inmate's parole 679 may be retained in [the institution from which he was paroled] a 680 correctional institution for a period equal to the unexpired portion of 681 the term of [his] <u>such inmate's</u> sentence at the date of the request or 682 order for [his] such inmate's return less any commutation or 683 diminution of [his] such inmate's sentence earned except that the 684 Board of Parole may, in its discretion, determine that [he] such inmate 685 shall forfeit any or all of such earned time, or may be again paroled by 686 said board.
- Sec. 526. Subsection (b) of section 54-131d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- (b) The Board of Parole may require as a condition of release on medical parole periodic diagnoses as described in section 54-131c. If after review of such diagnoses the board finds that a parolee released pursuant to sections 54-131a to 54-131g, inclusive, is no longer so

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694 debilitated or incapacitated as to be physically incapable of presenting

- a danger to society, such parolee shall be returned to [the custody] any
- 696 <u>institution</u> of the Department of Correction.
- 697 Sec. 527. Section 512 of substitute house bill 5043 of the current
- 698 session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 699 (*Effective from passage*):
- The Commissioner of Correction shall prohibit any person who has
- been convicted of a crime that requires registration pursuant to chapter
- 702 969 of the general statutes from [having access to] using a computer
- 703 with Internet access while such person is in the custody of the
- 704 commissioner and confined in a correctional facility.
- Sec. 528. Subsection (a) of section 1 of substitute house bill 5669 of
- 706 the current session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 707 thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 708 (a) All civil actions brought to recover damages resulting from
- 709 personal injury or wrongful death, whether in tort or in contract, in
- 710 which it is alleged that such injury or death resulted from the
- 711 negligence of a health care provider, [as defined in section 52-184b of
- 712 the general statutes,] shall be referred to mandatory mediation
- pursuant to this section, unless the parties have agreed to refer the civil
- action to an alternative dispute resolution program. <u>For the purposes</u>
- of this subsection, "health care provider" means a provider, as defined
- 716 in subsection (b) of section 20-7b, or an institution, as defined in
- 717 section 19a-490, as amended by section 2 of public act 03-274.
- Sec. 529. Subsection (c) of section 52-192a of the general statutes, as
- amended by section 8 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current
- 720 session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 721 (Effective from passage):
- 722 (c) With respect to any civil action brought to recover damages
- 723 resulting from personal injury or wrongful death, whether in tort or in
- 724 contract, in which it is alleged that such injury or death resulted from

the negligence of a health care provider, [as defined in section 52-184b, and where the cause of action accrued on or after the effective date of this section, if the court ascertains from the record that the plaintiff has recovered an amount equal to or greater than the sum certain stated in the plaintiff's offer of judgment, the court shall add to the amount so recovered eight per cent annual interest on said amount, except that if the plaintiff has recovered an amount that is more than twice the sum certain stated in the plaintiff's offer of judgment, the court shall add to the amount so recovered (1) eight per cent annual interest on the portion of the amount recovered that is equal to or less than twice the sum certain stated in such offer of judgment, and (2) four per cent annual interest on the portion of the amount recovered that is more than twice the sum certain stated in such offer. For the purposes of this subsection, "health care provider" means a provider, as defined in subsection (b) of section 20-7b, or an institution, as defined in section 19a-490, as amended by section 2 of public act 03-274.

Sec. 530. Subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of section 52-251c of the general statutes, as amended by section 15 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(1) Whenever a claimant in a medical malpractice [case] <u>claim or civil action</u> enters into a contingency fee arrangement with an attorney which provides for a fee that would exceed the percentage limitations set forth in subsection (b) of this section, such arrangement shall not be valid unless the claimant's attorney files an application with the court for approval of such arrangement and the court, after a hearing, grants such application. The claimant's attorney shall attach to such application a copy of such fee arrangement and the proposed unsigned writ, summons and complaint in the case. Such fee arrangement shall provide that the attorney will advance all costs in connection with the investigation and prosecution or settlement of the case and the claimant will not be liable for the reimbursement of the attorney for any such costs if there is no recovery.

759 Sec. 531. Subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of section 52-251c of the 760 general statutes, as amended by section 15 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current session, is repealed and the following is substituted in 762 lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(2) For the purposes of this section and with respect to a medical malpractice [case] <u>claim or civil action</u> in which an application was granted by a court pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, "damages awarded and received" means in a [medical malpractice] civil action in which final judgment is entered, that amount of the judgment or amended judgment entered by the court that is received by the claimant after deduction for any disbursements made or costs incurred by the attorney in connection with the investigation and prosecution or settlement of the civil action, other than ordinary office overhead and expense, for which the claimant is liable; and "settlement amount received" means in a [medical malpractice] claim or civil action in which no final judgment is entered, the amount received by the claimant pursuant to a settlement agreement after deduction for any disbursements made or costs incurred by the attorney in connection with the investigation and prosecution or settlement of the claim or civil action, other than ordinary office overhead and expense, for which the claimant is liable.

Sec. 532. Section 52-251c of the general statutes, as amended by section 15 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current session, is amended by adding subsection (f) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

(NEW) (f) For the purposes of this section, "medical malpractice claim or civil action" means a claim or civil action brought to recover damages resulting from personal injury or wrongful death, whether in tort or in contract, in which it is alleged that such injury or death resulted from the negligence of a health care provider, and "health care provider " means a provider, as defined in subsection (b) of section 20-7b, or an institution, as defined in section 19a-490, as amended by section 2 of public act 03-274.

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Sec. 533. Section 18 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

Whenever in a civil action to recover damages resulting from personal injury or wrongful death, whether in tort or in contract, in which it is alleged that such injury or death resulted from the negligence of a health care provider, the jury renders a verdict specifying noneconomic damages, as defined in section 52-572h of the general statutes, in an amount exceeding one million dollars, the court shall review the evidence presented to the jury to determine if the amount of noneconomic damages specified in the verdict is excessive as a matter of law in that it so shocks the sense of justice as to compel the conclusion that the jury was influenced by partiality, prejudice, mistake or corruption. If the court so concludes, it shall order a remittitur and, upon failure of the party so ordered to remit the amount ordered by the court, it shall set aside the verdict and order a new trial. For the purposes of this section, "health care provider" means a provider, as defined in subsection (b) of section 20-7b, or an institution, as defined in section 19a-490, as amended by section 2 of public act 03-274.

- Sec. 534. Section 38a-395 of the general statutes, as amended by section 16 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January* 1, 2005):
 - (a) As used in this section:
- (1) "Claim" means a request for indemnification filed by a [medical professional or entity] physician, surgeon, hospital, advanced practice registered nurse or physician assistant pursuant to a professional liability policy for a loss for which a reserve amount has been established by an insurer;
- 821 (2) "Closed claim" means a claim that has been settled, or otherwise 822 disposed of, where the insurer has made all indemnity and expense

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823 payments on the claim; and

- (3) "Insurer" means an insurer, as defined in section 38a-1, as amended, that insures a [medical professional or entity] physician, surgeon, hospital, advanced practice registered nurse or physician assistant against professional liability. "Insurer" includes, but is not limited to, a captive insurer or a self-insured person.
 - (b) On and after January 1, 2005, each insurer shall provide to the Insurance Commissioner a closed claim report, on such form as the commissioner prescribes, in accordance with this section. The insurer shall submit the report not later than ten days after the last day of the calendar quarter in which a claim is closed. The report shall only include information about claims settled under the laws of this state.
 - (c) The closed claim report shall include:
 - (1) Details about the insured and insurer, including: (A) The name of the insurer; (B) the professional liability insurance policy limits and whether the policy was an occurrence policy or was issued on a claimsmade basis; (C) the name, address, health care provider professional license number and specialty coverage of the insured; and (D) the insured's policy number and a unique claim number.
 - (2) Details about the injury or loss, including: (A) The date of the injury or loss that was the basis of the claim; (B) the date the injury or loss was reported to the insurer; (C) the name of the institution or location at which the injury or loss occurred; (D) the type of injury or loss, including a severity of injury rating that corresponds with the severity of injury scale that the Insurance Commissioner shall establish based on the severity of injury scale developed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; and (E) the name, age and gender of any injured person covered by the claim. Any individually identifiable health information, as defined in 45 CFR 160.103, as from time to time amended, submitted pursuant to this subdivision shall be confidential. The reporting of the information is required by law. If necessary to comply with federal privacy laws, including the Health

Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, [P.L. 104-191] (P.L. 104-191) (HIPAA), as from time to time amended, the insured shall arrange with the insurer to release the required information.

- (3) Details about the claims process, including: (A) Whether a lawsuit was filed, and if so, in which court; (B) the outcome of such lawsuit; (C) the number of other defendants, if any; (D) the stage in the process when the claim was closed; (E) the dates of the trial; (F) the date of the judgment or settlement, if any; (G) whether an appeal was filed, and if so, the date filed; (H) the resolution of the appeal and the date such appeal was decided; (I) the date the claim was closed; (J) the initial indemnity and expense reserve for the claim; and (K) the final indemnity and expense reserve for the claim.
- (4) Details about the amount paid on the claim, including: (A) The total amount of the initial judgment rendered by a jury or awarded by the court; (B) the total amount of the settlement if there was no judgment rendered or awarded; (C) the total amount of the settlement if the claim was settled after judgment was rendered or awarded; (D) the amount of economic damages, as defined in section 52-572h, or the insurer's estimate of the amount in the event of a settlement; (E) the amount of noneconomic damages, as defined in section 52-572h, or the insurer's estimate of the amount in the event of a settlement; (F) the amount of any interest awarded due to failure to accept an offer of judgment; (G) the amount of any remittitur or additur; (H) the amount of final judgment after remittitur or additur; (I) the amount paid by the insurer; (J) the amount paid by the defendant due to a deductible or a judgment or settlement in excess of policy limits; (K) the amount paid by other insurers; (L) the amount paid by other defendants; (M) whether a structured settlement was used; (N) the expense assigned to and recorded with the claim, including, but not limited to, defense and investigation costs, but not including the actual claim payment; and (O) any other information the commissioner determines to be necessary to regulate the professional liability insurance industry with respect to [medical professionals and entities] physicians, surgeons, hospitals, advanced practice registered nurses or physicians assistants,

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ensure the industry's solvency and ensure that such liability insurance is available and affordable.

- (d) (1) The commissioner shall establish an electronic database composed of closed claim reports filed pursuant to this section.
- (2) The commissioner shall compile the data included in individual closed claim reports into an aggregated summary format and shall prepare a written annual report of the summary data. The report shall provide an analysis of closed claim information including a minimum of five years of comparative data, when available, trends in frequency and severity of claims, itemization of damages, timeliness of the claims process, and any other descriptive or analytical information that would assist in interpreting the trends in closed claims.
- (3) The annual report shall include a summary of rate filings for professional liability insurance for [medical professionals and entities] physicians, surgeons, hospitals, advanced practice registered nurses or physicians assistants, which have been approved by the department for the prior calendar year, including an analysis of the trend of direct losses, incurred losses, earned premiums and investment income as compared to prior years. The report shall include base premiums charged by [medical malpractice] insurers for each specialty and the number of providers insured by specialty for each insurer.
- (4) Not later than March 15, 2006, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall submit the annual report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance in accordance with section 11-4a. The commissioner shall also (A) make the report available to the public, (B) post the report on its Internet site, and (C) provide public access to the contents of the electronic database after the commissioner establishes that the names and other individually identifiable information about the claimant and practitioner have been removed.
- 919 (e) The Insurance Commissioner shall provide the Commissioner of

920 Public Health with electronic access to all information received

- pursuant to this section. The Commissioner of Public Health shall
- maintain the confidentiality of such information in the same manner
- and to the same extent as required for the Insurance Commissioner.
- 924 Sec. 535. Section 19 of substitute house bill 5669 of the current
- 925 session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 926 (Effective July 1, 2004, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after
- 927 *January* 1, 2004):

- 928 (a) Any resident of this state, as defined in subdivision (1) of
- 929 subsection (a) of section 12-701, who is a physician <u>licensed pursuant</u>
- 930 <u>to chapter 370</u> and who is subject to the tax imposed under chapter 229
- 931 for any taxable year shall be entitled to a credit in determining the
- amount of tax liability under said chapter, for a portion, as permitted
- 933 by this section, of the amount of medical malpractice insurance
- 934 premiums first becoming due and actually paid during such taxable
- 935 year by such person in accordance with this section.
- 936 (b) The credit allowed under this section shall be equal to one
- 937 hundred per cent of the amount by which the medical malpractice
- 938 insurance premiums first becoming due and actually paid during such
- 939 taxable year by such person exceed twenty-five per cent of the person's
- 940 Connecticut taxable income, provided such credit shall not exceed an
- amount equal to fifteen per cent of such premiums.
- 942 (c) The credit may only be used to reduce such qualifying taxpayer's
- 943 tax liability for the year for which such credit is applicable and shall
- 944 not be used to reduce such tax liability to less than zero.
- 945 (d) The amount of tax due pursuant to sections 12-705 and 12-722
- 946 shall be calculated without regard to this credit.
- 947 (e) Any physician who has had, at any time, a judgment entered
- 948 against him or her as a defendant in a civil action to recover damages
- 949 for personal injury or wrongful death resulting from the acts or
- 950 omissions of such physician in the medical diagnosis, care or treatment

of a person shall not be entitled to a credit under this section.

952 Sec. 536. (Effective from passage) Section 54-124d of the general

953 statutes is repealed.

954 Sec. 537. (Effective from passage) Section 36 of substitute house bill

955 5211 of the current session is repealed."